

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3-17, 29, 31-78 were pending in the present application prior to this communication. By the present communication, claim 29 has been cancelled. Upon entry of the amendments submitted herewith, claims 1, 3-17, 31-78 will be pending.

With respect to claim amendments and cancellation, Applicants have not dedicated or abandoned any unclaimed subject matter and moreover have not acquiesced to any rejections and/or objections made by the Patent Office. Applicants expressly reserve the right to pursue prosecution of any presently excluded subject matter or claim embodiments in one or more future continuation and/or divisional application(s).

